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BOOK NOTICES.

An Outline of the Theory of Organic Evolution, with a description of some of the phenomena which it explains. By MAYNARD M. METCALF, Ph.D., Professor of Biology in the Woman's College of Baltimore. New York, The Macmillan Company, 1904.

Professor Metcalf presents his subject in a compact and readable style with numerous illustrations. Several color plates of moths, butterflies and spiders give a good idea of the "mimicry" which is so well shown by these insects. The book has resulted from a course of lectures and is therefore well adapted for students.

American Insects. By VERNON L. KELLOGG, Professor of Entomology and Lecturer on Bionomics in Leland Stanford Jr. University, with many original illustrations by MARY WELLMAN. New York, Henry Holt and Company, 1905.

This bulky volume of 674 pages gives a general outline of all American insects and deals more largely with anatomy than is usually the case with books of this class. The classification is after Comstock and the synoptic tables are largely remodeled after his. The work is adapted only for beginners or general students (if there are any such) and does not lead to specific determinations. It is almost up to date, including a chapter on mosquitoes and disease. It ends with an account of collecting and rearing insects, which one would fancy must be a laborious undertaking from the amount of apparatus illustrated. Jelly tumblers have always served for us.

Wilhelm Junk Entomologen-Adressbuch. Preis Mark 5. W. JUNK, Verlag für Entomologie. Berlin, 1905, NW., Rathenower Strasse 22.

Another entomological address book is before us, well printed and in convenient, compact form. We notice some names not in other similar works which is commendable. There are also some curious errors. For instance, Mr. Geo. Franck, whose name will be found in our list of members published with the June issue of this Journal, appears under the pseudonym of "Iranck," both in text and index. It would be an advantage if publishers of address books could combine on one really good book instead of scattering their efforts as at present.